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REMARKS

These remarks are set forth in response to the Non-Final Office Action. Presently, claims 9 through 17 and 21 through 23 are pending in the Patent Application. Claims 9, 14 and 15 are independent in nature. In the Non-Final Office Action, claims 15 through 17 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 101. Further, claims 14 through 17 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) as being anticipated by U.S. Patent Application Publication No. 2001/0037292 by Vogut. Further, claims 9 and 11 through 13 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Vogut in view of U.S. Patent Application Publication No. 2003/0037102 by Eckert. Even yet further, claims 10 and 21 through 23 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Vogut, Eckert and further in view of U.S. Patent No. 7,337,910 to Cartmell. In response, Applicants have amended claim 15 only to address the rejections under 35 U.S.C. § 101 so as to narrow the issues in dispute for an impending repeal.

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